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**Nebraska's Political Sower**

By James R. Lowell, Lincoln, Nebr.

In the primary election August 14 it will be nip-and-tuck as to whether Edward R. Burke, of Omaha, or Charles W. Bryan, of Lincoln, gets the democratic nomination for United States senator, while Robert Simmons, of Lincoln, is pretty sure to be the republican nominee; and R. L. Cochran, of Lincoln, and Dwight Griswold, of Gordon, will be the standard bearers in the contest for governor, according to the best judgment of 81 weekly newspaper editors from every section of the state.

Out of 100 ballots sent to as many representative editors over the state, 40 republican editors, 25 independents and 16 democrats ventured an opinion as to who the people of their community would nominate for the offices of senator, congressman and governor. Thirty-eight of these editors are personally in favor of President Roosevelt's policies to date, 36 are opposed and five did not express themselves.

Thirty-five editors picked Bryan to win the democratic nomination for senator, 33 picked Burke and three chose Floyd Bollen, of Friend. Simmons was selected by 44 editors to win the republican nomination, 24 picked Kenneth L. Wherry, of Pawnee City, and two picked Robert Smith, of Omaha.

So far as the personal choice of the editors was concerned, Burke is a heavy favorite in the democratic primary. Nineteen of the editors including the majority of the democrats are for him altho the greater percentage of them picked Bryan to win the nomination. Bryan was designated as a personal choice by three editors and none of these listed themselves as democrats. Will Reed, of Madison, is the personal choice of two of the editors participating in the straw vote. Simmons is the personal choice of 24 editors, nearly all of them are republicans. Wherry is singled out by 13 editors, the majority of whom are independents.

Cochran is seen as a winner in the democratic contest for governor by 61 editors, while Terry Carpenter, of Scottsbluff, is picked by eight, Eugene O'Sullivan, of Omaha, by three, and W. B. Banning, of Union, by one. Dwight Griswold polls 62 editorial votes, C. A. Sorensen, of Lincoln, seven, and Ted Metcalfe, of Omaha, three.

In the personal choice column, Cochran leads the democratic side with 14 editors so designating him. Mrs. Maude Nuquist, of Osceola, has two personal supporters and Carpenter has one. On the republican side, Griswold is the choice of 16 editors, Metcalfe and Sorensen of two each.

The selection of winners in the 1st congressional district is too limited even to warrant any definite statement. On the democratic side Henry C. Luckey, of Lincoln is picked by three editors, J. B. Douglas, of Tecumseh, by two, and Frank A. Peterson, of Lincoln, by two. Of the republicans, E. M. Bair, of Lincoln, gets four votes, Edgar Ferneau, of Auburn, gets three, and Loren Laughlin, of Lincoln, two. Bair is picked as a personal choice by one editor and Ferneau by two.

In the 2nd district only two editors voted: Mrs. Mabel Gillespie, of Gretna and Charles F. McLaughlin, of Omaha, each are picked to win by one editor on the democratic side, while Herbert Rhoades, of Omaha, is selected by both editors to win out as the republican nominee.

Edgar Howard (incumbent) of Columbus will win the democratic nomination for congressman in the 3rd district, and Karl Stefan, of Norfolk, will be the republican nominee, according to the straw vote. Stefan is the only candidate mentioned on the republican side, but Orville Chatt, of Tekamah, is picked by six editors to beat Howard. Surprisingly enough to the casual observer, Chatt is picked as a personal choice by 11 editors while Howard is so honored by only five. Stefan is a personal choice of three.

In the 4th district, the poll gives the democratic nomination to Ashton C. Shallenberger (incumbent), of Alma, and the republican nomination to James W. Hammond, of Holdrege.

Camille Bartos Placek, of Wilber, and E. M. Neubauer, of Orleans, each poll three votes against Shallenberger's 13, while in the republican primary John Stevens, of Beaver City, gets six, Arthur J. Denney, of Fairbury, four, C. E. Beals of Crete, two, and E. E. Jackman of Grant, two, against 12 for Hammond. Three editors each take Hammond and Shallenberger as a personal choice, two each selected Denney and Stevens, while Neubauer trails with one.

Fifth district editors are pretty well divided between Guy V. Doran, of Sidney, and Harry B. Coffee, of Chadron, as to who will get the democratic nomination. Seven editors pick Coffee and five pick Doran, Tom C. Osborne, of Alliance, and Fred Anderson, of Cozad, each get one vote. Doran is the personal choice of four editors, Coffee of three and Osborne and Anderson of one each.

Albert N. Mathers of Gering, stands high on the republican side in the 5th, being picked to win the nomination by eight editors. Clarence M. Davis of Ord, is selected as a winner by two editors, William E. Shuman of North Platte, by one, and Arthur Bowring of Merriman, by one. No personal preferences were expressed.

The editorial vote on the New Deal shows 28 of the republican editors opposing Roosevelt's policies, seven favoring and five not voting. All 16 of the democratic editors are for the New Deal, while 16 of the 25 independents are for and nine are against.

A tour of the state by a representative of the Lowell Service at Lincoln revealed much more interest manifested by Nebraskans in the drouth than in the primary election contest for the majority of state offices, but a consensus of opinion of approximately 100 editors does show a few candidates who are favored to win as nominees.

For attorney general, Donald Gallagher, of Lincoln, stands out from a large field of practically unknown candidates. C. P. Anderbery, of Minden, and Jackson B. Chase, of Omaha, were mentioned as certain to poll a sizeable number of votes, while on the democratic side the race is between Raymond McNamara, of Hartington and William H. Wright, of Scottsbluff, the editors agreed.

Gallagher is picked as a winner because of his previous experience as a legislator and assistant under former Attorney General Spellman, not to mention his work in behalf of Senator Norris and the one-house legislation petition. The German vote, especially, was said to be for Gallagher as recognition of his fight to repeal the foreign language bill in 1923. Gallagher was a state representative from Holt county at the time.

James F. Miller, secretary of the railway commission for four years, was picked as a likely winner in the contest for republican nomination to the office of railway commissioner. Considerable sentiment was expressed by the editors in favor of putting a younger man and a progressive on the commission, and Miller, who has had considerable experience as an attorney, at Alma and graduated from the state university, was described as the type of man the young republicans of Nebraska are pulling for this year. Will Maupin, of Lincoln, is a favorite among the editors to win the democratic nomination for railway commissioner.

The editors picked Walter H. Jur-

genson (incumbent), democrat, Lincoln, as the best bet in the race for lieutenant governor; Harry R. Swanson (incumbent), democrat, Omaha, for secretary of state; William B. Price (incumbent), democrat, Lincoln, for state auditor, and George E. Hall (incumbent), democrat, Lincoln, for state treasurer. Hall has no opposition in the primary.

Anyone with the name of Marsh, Swanson, Williams, or Johnson, is sure to make a good showing in the primary because of the familiarity of the names, the editors said. Harry P. Conklin (incumbent), got enough publicity in connection with the state house janitorial "pay-roll" deal to assure him a good number of votes, the editors somewhat sarcastically agreed, but they think that George Jackson on the democratic side, and J. A. Axtell of Fairbury, republican, will make it mighty interesting for Conklin in his attempt to keep the job as commissioner of public lands and buildings.

A new phase of relief work in Nebraska has been launched with the appointment of Randall Biartt, of Bellevue, as the state director of special FERA work to take dependent persons off the relief rolls in urban communities and put them back on their feet as self-supporting citizens. Biartt has been state relief director for the past year and he will be succeeded in this capacity by Harry Elmore, of Lincoln, who has been his assistant.

Biartt's work will center around forming co-operative societies among

the unemployed in communities of more than 5,000 population. These groups will manufacture clothing for persons on relief and engage in similar activities. One such co-operative already exists at Grand Island.

Biartt's job will be one of "urban rehabilitation." It will dovetail into the rural rehabilitation plan now being worked out in smaller communities by L. A. White. Biartt says: "This is a pioneer job and a tough one. It will be hard to show results for a long time, but something has to be done. I have always stressed the fact that the country doesn't owe any man a living, but that it does owe him the opportunity to earn a living according to his ability."

Biartt is still confined in an Omaha hospital recuperating from injuries suffered in an automobile wreck last May, but he is laying the plans for his new job.

Even if the state gets normal rainfall from now on, Nebraska's corn crop will be approximately 75 per cent below the average yield, according to the first official estimate of drouth damage given out by A. E. Anderson, state and federal crop statistician.

Despite the drouth, there is no dearth of corn on Nebraska farms, as indicated by figures compiled by James F. Miller, secretary of the railway commission. It is estimated that farmers in this state are holding 60,000,000 bushels of last year's crop, with more than a half a million under government seal.

Word has come from AAA officials at Washington that Nebraska's total benefits from AAA payments will have reached \$36,000,000 by the end of the year.

**GIST OF THE STATE HOUSE NEWS:**

The state tax levy in Nebraska will be lowered from 2.39 mills in 1933 to about 2.10 mills this year. Beer taxes for June set a new high of \$30,041, compared with \$27,144 for May, but gasoline taxes dropped approximately \$95,000 from May. The June total was \$700,442. The extremes of youth and age will be represented at the state fair this fall. Entries are now being made for a baby show to be revived this year after a two-year lapse, while in keeping with the theme of 80 years growth and development within Nebraska, a special program of entertainment is being planned for all 80 year-old Nebraskans who registered with the state fair officials before August 1. Persons born in Nebraska in September, 1854 are especially in demand.

State Auditor Price wants to know why the state board of educational

lands and funds has delayed taking action under an audit made by Price hewing an alleged shortage of \$57,000 caused by private firms clipping coupons from bonds owned by the board. This audit is the basis of a suit against former treasurer Bass to recover \$57,000. Price has been asked by the board to make another audit, but he wants action first on the results of the original audit.

Telephone companies in Nebraska were run at a loss in 1933, taken as a whole, with only 227 out of 162 companies reporting to the railway commission being able to pay dividends. Not one of the class F (smallest companies) paid a dividend. Bids have called on a dam at Sutherland, key development of the \$7,500,000 North Platte Power and irrigation project and backers of the project are expecting to see dirt flying before the frost. The dam is to cost about \$1,500,000. 400 tons of poison bait for grasshoppers have been mixed at Nebraska City for distribution thru county agents in southwestern and

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**James L. Tewell**  
Sidney, Nebraska  
Candidate for  
**Justice Supreme Court**

For the past 13 years has been Judge of the District Court, 13th Judicial District.

Ask Those Who Know!

His Experience Your Asset  
Best Years of Service Ahead  
Your Vote Solicited

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**ORVILLE CHATT**  
Democrat  
The Man The Statesman



Northeast Nebraska's  
Next Congressman

Orville Chatt, is the only Democratic candidate for congress who is a farm-owner and livestock feeder. Through actual experience he is intimate with problems facing agriculture and he possesses the qualifications, ability and courage to fight for the things that will place this industry on a parity with other industries of the country. 500 farmers and 100 businessmen of Burt county, who have known him over a long term of years, ask your vote for him and consequently a vote for the best interests of the Third District.

L. C. PECK,  
Sec. Chatt Campaign Committee.

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**MARGUERITE WELCH**  
Non-Political Candidate For  
**County Superintendent**

Born and Raised in Holt County. A graduate of the University of Nebraska. Teaching Experience in Rural and City Schools. University Teacher's Certificate Valid for Life. Degree of Bachelor of Science in Education.

With Assured Fairness To All,  
I Solicit Your Support At The  
Primaries On August 14, 1934.

(Political Advertisement)

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**VOTE FOR GRACE JOYCE**  
Non-Political Candidate For  
**County Superintendent**

Born and reared in Holt county. Educated in rural, high and normal schools of Nebraska and University of Minnesota. Nebraska Professional Life Certificate. Several years of teaching experience in rural schools of Holt county and city schools of Nebraska and Wyoming.

For progress in education and strict economy in the use of public funds.

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**IRA H. MOSS**  
Republican Candidate For  
Re-election To The Office Of  
**CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT**

Born in Holt county in 1892. Graduate of Atkinson High School.

Two years in Hastings College.

Two years of service in the World War.

If re-elected will continue efficient and economical administration of the office.

PRIMARY AUGUST 14

**LE ROY S. BARTLETT**  
Stuart, Nebraska  
Democratic Candidate For  
**STATE REPRESENTATIVE**  
64th District  
HOLT COUNTY

RESIDENT OF HOLT COUNTY  
18 YEARS

Favor lower taxes and sane and economical government.

YOUR SUPPORT WILL BE  
SINCERELY APPRECIATED  
at the Primaries, August 14th.

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**LUELLA A. PARKER**  
Candidate For  
**County Superintendent**

Since the duties of my office will prevent my talking with each of you personally, I take this method of soliciting your support for my re-election to the office of County Superintendent.

My wide acquaintance over the county, my intimate knowledge of each district and its problems, my personal acquaintance with each teacher and pupil in the county, I feel, especially qualified me for this office.

I am thoroughly acquainted with school problems from every angle, I believe. This knowledge having been acquired from actual experience, not only in this office, but as a parent and tax payer. From experience, I know the problems a parent faces in his effort to educate his children, also the difficulties a tax payer meets in trying to pay his taxes during these strenuous times.

No doubt, I have made mistakes, but I have at all times tried to run this office as economically and as efficiently as possible. I have tried to be fairminded and just to everyone.

Our children are, after all, our most precious possessions, our citizens of tomorrow. The world does not owe them a living, but it most certainly does owe them an opportunity to so fit themselves to enable them to make their own living when they grow up, so that they may not become dependents upon their county and state.

Would a change in this office just now, during this period of economic unrest, be a wise thing? Think it over carefully.

I deeply appreciate the hearty good-will and fine cooperation you have all shown me. I thank you most sincerely. If you feel that I have discharged the duties of this office efficiently, and that I can continue to give you good service, I would appreciate your support toward my re-election to the office for another term.

(Political Advertisement)

**W. S. KIRKLAND**  
Republican Candidate For  
**REGISTER OF DEEDS**

Ex-service Man, and A Life-long Resident of Holt County.

WILL APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT  
at Primaries August 14, 1934

(Political Advertisement)

**CAMPAIGNING FOR YOUR VOTE**

for the office of Sheriff of Holt county at the Primaries, August 14th, on the Democratic Ticket. A resident of our county for many years, several years experience in Marshal and Constable offices, and I understand the duties and obligations of the office for which I am now a candidate.

YOUR SUPPORT  
SINCERELY APPRECIATED

**F. P. MURPHY**  
Candidate For Sheriff



**RICHARD R. MORRISON**  
Democratic Candidate For  
**CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT**

solicits your vote and your support, not as a politician—just as one of you. Born and raised in Holt county. Married—two children. Qualified in every respect.